



THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT



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Shawn Musgrave
MuckRock News
P.O. Box 55819
Boston, MA 02205

Re: Maryland Public Information Act (MPIA)

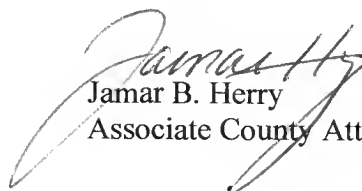
Dear Mr. Musgrave:

As I have written, the Police Department received your Maryland Public Information Act (MPIA) request in which you request the following:

- (1) Any requests for proposals, proposals submitted by vendors, contracts, budgets or cost allocations for the purchase, research of and/or use of aerial drones, UAs, UAVs, and UASs (hereinafter drones);
- (2) Any policies, guidelines, manuals and/or instructions on institutional use of drones, including on the legal process required (such as a warrant or court order), if any, before operating a drone;
- (3) Any departmental records concerning this institution's use of and/or research of drones now or plans to use drones in the future including: a) the types of investigations or instances in which this department is using or plans to use drones, or how it plans to support, manage or oversee the usage of drones by another department or office; b) policies, guidelines, manuals and/or instructions on storage requirements or procedures for video or static images obtained through use of drones, including retention times; c) the altitude at which drones can or do fly; d) drones' ability to carry weapons.

The Department does not have any records relating to your request. You may seek judicial review of this decision pursuant to §10-623 of the State Government Article. If you have any questions or need to contact me regarding this matter, please call (301) 952-5225.

Sincerely,


Jamar B. Herry
Associate County Attorney

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